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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Frank Vanaman

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 10 February 2004 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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Drawings

1. The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, the hook eye (claim 1) must be shown or the feature(s) canceled from the claim(s). No new matter should be entered.

Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

The examiner notes that the specification refers to figure 4 as illustrating a hook-eye, however no element commonly understood to constitute a hook-eye appears to be illustrated in the figure.

Specification

2. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because it is too long. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b), which sets forth the requirements of an abstract of the disclosure.

3. The disclosure is objected to because it includes a number of instances of informal grammar, such as: "apart from actualizing functionality" (page 2, lines 2-3); "pulling ... enables effortlessly pulling" (page 2, lines 9-10); "an reverse" (page 4, line 2);

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"trumpet-shaped" (page 4, lines 9-10, 12-13), etc. The disclosure should be carefully reviewed for grammatical informalities.

4. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: at page 5, line 3, the specification refers to "hook eye 323," however element 323 in the drawings appears to be a rectangular box-shaped element.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Objections

5. The claims are objected to because they are replete with grammatical informalities, such as: in claim 1, line 2, there appears to be a word missing between "wherein" and "interior"; in claim 1, line 3, "is installed a transmission device"; in claim 1, line 10, it is not entirely clear what is meant by "two handles are configured on..."; in claim 1, lines 11 and 12, "an reverse" should be - a reverse-. This is an exemplary listing only, the claims should be carefully reviewed and revised to eliminate grammatical informalities. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

6. Claims 1-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In claim 1, line 16, it is not clear whether the "handle bars" are the same as the "handles" recited in line 2 of the same claim; in claim 1, line 25, it is not clear whether "a tail end" is a reference to the rear end recited in line 5, or a different portion; in claim 4, lines 3 and 8, it is not clear whether or not applicant is attempting to incorporate method limitations into an apparatus claim (also note claim 5, line 4). This is an exemplary listing. Each and every claim should be carefully reviewed for clarity under 35 USC §112, second paragraph.

7. As regards claims currently rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, please note that rejections under 35 USC §102 and 103 should not be based upon considerable speculation as to the meaning of the terms employed and assumptions as

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to the scope of the claims when the claims are not definite. See *In re Steele* 305 F.2d 859, 862, 134 USPQ 292, 295 (CCPA 1962). When no reasonably definite meaning can be ascribed to certain terms in a claim, the subject matter does not become anticipated or obvious, but rather the claim becomes indefinite. See *In re Wilson* 424 F.2d 1382, 1385, 165 USPQ 494, 496 (CCPA 1970). As such the currently pending claims may be subject to prior art rejections not set forth herein upon the clarification of the claim language.

Allowable Subject Matter

8. Claim 1, as best understood, would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action.

9. Claims 2-6, as best understood, would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

10. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Alimanestiano (US 3,446,304), Adams (US 4,094,374), Brandenfels (US 4,750,578), Piazzzi (US 5,265,695), Fallon et al. (US 6,273,442), Sung (US 6,457,544), Sauve (US 6,851,498), White (US 2003/0094315), Roach (US 2004/0031630) and Flowers et al. (US 2003/0141121) teach folding carriage devices of pertinence.

11. Any inquiry specifically concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to F. Vanaman whose telephone number is 571-272-6701.

Any inquiries of a general nature or relating to the status of this application may be made through either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on

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